

THE GRAND QUILT GUILD

Row of the Month 2024 – 2025

Row # 4 January 8, 2025

Due February 11, 2025

ROMAN STRIPE BLOCK



Roman Strip Quilt Block



One of many Roman Stripe Block Layouts

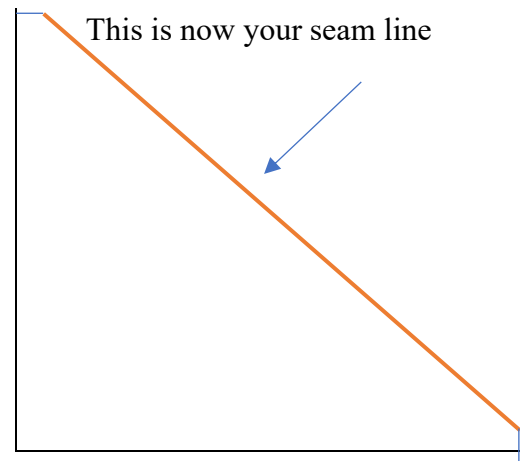
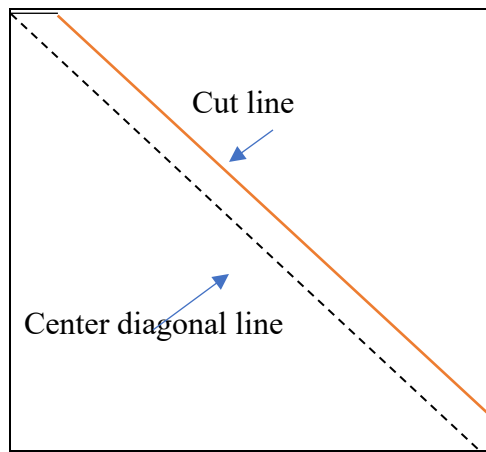
This is a very old classic block some believe derives its name from the striped coloured togas of ancient Rome. Not sure!! This is just what I have read. Although in more recent history this quilt pattern has been a favorite of the Amish.

This is another good block to use up strips of fabric left over from other projects. There are so many ways with which to layout this block. Typically, this block has been made with bright vibrant colours.

There are also many ways to make this block. This is the method I have chosen, which I think is about the easiest.

FABRIC REQUIREMENTS:

BACKGROUND FABRIC: cut a 6 ½ inch square (please read to the end of the pattern)



With your ruler measure $\frac{1}{4}$ inch from the diagonal midline and cut the background square on the diagonal.

To help maintain the bias spray with a light starch.

You will now sew your strips to the half square triangle.

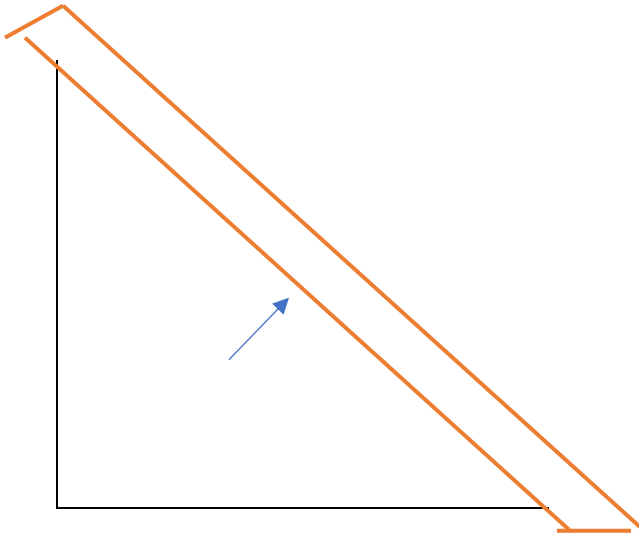
STRIPES: a variety of coloured prints cut $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch wide You will need six strips per block.

Cut the strips as follows:

- A. $1\frac{1}{4}$ x 11 inches
- B. $1\frac{1}{4}$ x 9 inches
- C. $1\frac{1}{4}$ x 7 inches
- D. $1\frac{1}{4}$ x 5 inches
- E. $1\frac{1}{4}$ x 3 inches
- F. $1\frac{1}{4}$ x 3 inches

ASSEMBLY:

- Fold the half square triangle in half and finger (or iron) press the center
- Fold the strips in half and finger (or iron) press to mark the center of each strip to keep the strips aligned at the center of the block



- You want your seam in the center of the block. Add the first strip A, placing right side down along the drawn line and stitch into place with a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam allowance. Remember this first strip is on the bias, so stitch carefully.
- Now stitch strip B to strip A, using a $\frac{1}{4}$ inch seam and matching the centers.
- Continue to sew the strips onto the block in decreasing size making sure to match the centers
- Now trim the block to $6\frac{1}{2}$ making sure to use the diagonal line on your ruler.



This is what your block will look like after all strips have been added, but prior to trimming. Give it a good pressing.



- Don't hesitate to mix up the coloured strips.
- Don't forget to email your finished strip to Sara
- **Your name will go in a pot and come the first meeting in March a draw will be held for all of the three blocks we have missed at our open meetings. Including the hexie flowers..**
- Be sure to check online the variety of ways with which this block can be utilized to make some stunning quilts.

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